Transport Ministers was organised by the Ministry of Urban Development on 29th June, 2005 to discuss the Draft National Urban Transport Policy.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) There was general consensus on the proposed policy and on the urgent need for its implementation. Suggestions were made to relax the eligibility criteria for supporting Mass Transit Systems in cities and to review the Motor Vehicles Act to enable it to better address Urban Transport requirements.

(d) The implementation of such a policy, after its approval, is an ongoing process.

Safe drinking water supply in Assam

2805. SHRI URKHAO GWRA BRAHMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan/programme of providing safe drinking water supply to all the district towns of Assam;

(b) whether such schemes have already been provided in some towns of the State; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Ministry of Urban Development is assisting the State Governments for urban water supply projects through the Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP) for small towns with a population less than 20,000 as per 1991/2001 census. The proposed National Urban Renewal Mission (NURM) and Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Towns (UIDSSMT) will cover infrastructure projects including water supply projects in all the cities/towns.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The details of the towns covered in Assam under AUWSP and funds released are given in the Statement.

Statement

Details of towns covered under AUWSP in Assam

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Project Sanctioned

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of Town	District	Population (1991 Census)	Sanctioned Date Mon./Yr.	Project Cost	Per capita cost (In Rs.)	Central share	Funds released By GO.I.	Expenditure up to March, 2005 By State	
1	Namrup*	Dibrugarh	19684	March, 95	135.31	687.41	67.66	26.06	1298 64	381 55
2	Sonari	Sibsagar	12398	Sept., 96	206.57"	1666.18	103.29	(1993-94) (Commulative)		389.44
3	Palashbari*	Kamrup	4683	March, 97	69.30	1479.82	34.65	168.05		110.81
4	Bilasipara	Dhubri	17994	August, 97	187.00	1039.24	93.50	(1996-97)		29.16
5	Sarthebari*	Barpeta	7705	October, 97	81.15	1053.21	40.58	140.00		79.29
6	Nazira	Sibsagar	8336	October, 97	97.35	1187.83	48.68	(1997-98)		21.40
7	Bihupuri*	Lakhimpur	8506	February, 99	180.60	2123.21	90.30	198.87		125.50
8	Lakhipur	Goalpara	8991	February, 99	143.18	1592.48	71.59	(1998-99)		26.00
9	Naharkatia	Dibrugarh	15037	March, 2000	302.12	2009.18	151.06	324.26		82.95
10	Bokakhat	Golaghat	6997	March, 2000	313.90	4486.21	156.95	(1999-2000)		63.97
11	Lala	Hailakandi	8631	March, 2000	338.42	3920.98	169.21	0.00		218.50
12	Rangapara	Sonitour	18526	March, 2000	302.87	1634.84	151.44	(2000-2001)		147.45
13	Nalbari	Nalbari	18949	May, 2002	734.94	3878.52	367.47	0.00		0.00
14	Bijni	Bongaigaon	11313	May, 2002	264.84	2341.02	132.42	(2001-2002)		0.00'
15	Pathsala	Barpeta	7236	March, 2004	281.86	3895.25	140.93	571.60		0.00
16	Amguri	Sibsagar	3583	March, 2004	342.52	9559.59	171.26	(2002-2003)		0.00
17	Abhaypuri	Bongaigaon	11686	March, 2004	570.84	4884.82	285.42	256.22		0.00
18	Dhekiajuli	Tezpur	15459	March, 2004	623.72	4034.67	311.86	(2003-2004)		0.00

19	Chabua	Dibrugarh	6032	Feb., 2005	313.47	5196.78	156.74	635.27		-
20	Howly	Barpeta	12402	Feb., 2005	650.45	5244.72	325.23	(2004-2005)		-
21	Makun	Tmsukia	11984	Feb., 2005	530.78	4429.07	265.39			-
	Total				236132	6671.19	3335.60	2320.33	1298.64	1676.02

**- Revised cost

* - Completed